

**P-20 Council
Alignment Committee Meeting
September 20, 2007-2:00 p.m.
Meeting Notes**

Location: 1700 W. Washington, 6th Floor Conference Room B, Phoenix, AZ 85007
Committee Members Present: Jan Amator (for Tom Horne), Dr. Doug Olesen, Dr. David Curd (telephonic), Dr. Karen Nicodemus, Dr. Roy Flores, Regent Ernest Calderon (telephonic), and Bob Hagen (telephonic).
Staff Present: Lauren Kielsmeier, Erin Hart, Debra Raeder, Claire Parriott.
Guests: Stephanie Jacobsen of ABOR and Steve Duffy of the ICUA.

1. Call to Order and Welcome

Dr. Nicodemus called the meeting to order at 2:05 pm. It was noted that Dr. David Curd, Regent Ernest Calderon, and Bob Hagen were attending telephonically.

2. Update/Discussion: High School Graduation Requirements

Dr. Nicodemus reported that the State Board of Education (SBE) is in the process of soliciting input on the draft proposal for the October 10, 2007 special meeting. Mike Cohen, of Achieve, Inc., will be presenting and the SBE will begin to consider input.

3. Update/Discussion: Alignment Institute

Achieve, Inc. has completed their review of the report and the committee will present the results at the October 1, 2007 Full Council meeting.

4. Update/Discussion: Teacher Capacity

- **ABOR-** Stephanie Jacobsen, of the Arizona Board of Regents (ABOR), reported to the committee that the state universities are currently performing a high level review of their capacity to supply new teachers to Arizona's school districts. Based on 2007 enrollment data, Ms. Jacobsen predicts a three-fold increase in the supply of both math and science teachers by 2010. Ms. Jacobsen also discussed the various programs that the universities have already implemented to increase teacher capacity.
- **Private Post Secondary-** Steve Duffy, of the Independent Colleges and Universities of Arizona (ICUA), presented a survey of his member schools on teacher programs and capacities.
- **Teacher Certification-** Jan Amator, of the Arizona Department of Education (ADE), addressed the committee on Teacher Certification Protocol. She discussed the various certification programs open to teachers and school districts and the steps needed to obtain said certification.

5. Update/Discussion: Higher Education Demand and Feasibility Study

Staff reported that NCHEMS delivered a draft of their report to the Governor and that they will review the report with pertinent groups on September 22, 2007. NCHEMS will present the report to the Full Council on October 1, 2007.

6. Update on work of the P-20 Council/Committees

Staff provided a brief update on the current status of the coordinated communications campaign, literacy packet for the Governor's Book Program and the Algebra II test.

7. Next Steps

No next steps were given.

8. Call to the Public

Dr. April Osborn, of ASU, spoke to the committee on teacher retention.

9. Adjournment

There being no further business or discussion, the meeting was adjourned by Dr. Nicodemus at 3:30 pm.